

Lake Hills Greenbelt & Crossroads Par 3 Park GARDEN RULES

- 1. The garden is open between dawn and dusk.
- 2. Each gardener must be fully registered with waivers and have signed their garden agreement before any work in the garden can begin. Gardens are leased from January 1-December 31.
- 3. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting, and any other garden-related maintenance are all the responsibility of the registered gardener.
- 4. Gardeners are responsible for their own tools. Tools and gardening materials may not be left in the garden plot when not in use, except for the Crossroads Garden Shed (Crossroads Gardeners, please see #23 for Crossroads Garden Shed Rules). No storage is available in the Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station P-Patch Garden. Pathways must be clear of all hoses and gardening materials.
- 5. It is the gardener's responsibility notify the coordinator if they are unable to care for their plot.
- 6. If any plot remains unattended by May 15th, that plot is subject to reassignment. Any plot that remains untended for four consecutive weeks will be reassigned.
- 7. Chemical herbicides, chemical pesticides, and chemical fungicides are not allowed. Please use organic methods and materials.
- 8. Paint/stain may not be applied at the garden. Non-arsenic treated wood (ACQ- or CBA-treated) is allowed in the garden.
- 9. The city provides irrigation water for garden purposes. All water use must be monitored to minimize water use and runoff. Gardeners are responsible for providing hoses and sprinklers, which may not be left in walkways.
- 10. Yard waste bins are for garden use only. Sod, soil, and rocks aren't allowed in the yard waste bins. To avoid overfilling bins, please move full bins out to the parking lot curb.
- 11. The city does not allow any dumping/storage of garden item/debris outside your garden plot. Items found to be littered or dumped will be disposed of and violators will immediately forfeit their plot(s).
- 12. Plants grown in the garden must be garden friendly. No controlled substances or noxious weeds (as noted on the Washington State Noxious Weeds List) are permitted to be grown in the garden beds. Gardeners are responsible for removing diseased plants.

- 13. Be courteous of your fellow gardeners and do not shade or encroach on other plots. Any garden items that enter a neighbor's plot can be removed by your neighbor.
- 14. Gardeners may harvest from their plot/s only. Due to the public nature of the garden, the city cannot be responsible for loss of garden produce or products. Please notify the police or garden staff if you witness vandalism or theft of any kind.
- 15. If you are not planning to garden through the winter your plot must be winterized by November 1. To winterize: Cut down and either work into the soil or place in the yard waste bins your annual plants. When not in use, plots must be covered with a cover crop, straw, burlap, jute netting, or something similar. Unused items such as fencing, stakes, poles, etc. must be removed at the end of the growing season. Plastic sheeting cannot be used to cover plots for the winter. Unused items cannot be stored in your plot. Leaving debris or failing to grow in or winterize your plot will result in loss of your renewal privileges.
- 16. Children must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times.
- 17. Pets are not allowed in the garden.
- 18. Tobacco in all forms is prohibited.
- 19. Renewal of garden plots will be sent to gardeners in good standing each year via email unless you request and provide a different specific contact method.
- 20. Assignment of new garden plots will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis via our waiting list, with priority given to Bellevue residents and first-time gardeners.
- 21. Second plot requests will not be accommodated if we have a waiting list.
- 22. Renewal application paperwork and payments are due in full by the renewal deadline listed on your renewal form. Please notify us on your application form if you have completed a scholarship request.
- 23. For Crossroads Gardeners: The Garden Shed is available upon request. Approved storage items are limited to personal, non-motorized garden tools only (wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, hoses, gloves, etc.). Fertilizer, chemicals of any kind, slug bait, fuel, petroleum products, plant matter, pots, gardening clothing, boots, etc.) cannot be stored in the Crossroads Garden Shed. All personal tools stored in the shed must be clearly marked with the name and contact information of the gardener. The city accepts no responsibility for any tools, equipment, supplies or other personal belongings in the shed. All personal belongings remaining in the Garden Shed after a gardener is no longer registered will be disposed of by the City by January 1 of the next registration year. The shed is to remain locked at all times. A key or code to the shed will be issued to Crossroads gardeners upon request and after registration and payment have been received.

